

**PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT[661]**

**Adopted and Filed**

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 100B.10, the State Fire Marshal hereby amends Chapter 251, "Fire Fighter Training and Certification," Iowa Administrative Code.

The Fire Service Training Bureau administers a certification program for fire fighters in Iowa. The certification process maintained by the Fire Service Training Bureau is accredited by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC). While certification is not a state requirement to work as a career or volunteer fire fighter in Iowa, some fire departments do require such certification for employment or for continued employment.

Certification is based upon satisfactory completion of training and testing which is in turn based upon standards published by the National Fire Protection Association. These nationally recognized standards are periodically updated, and adoption of the new editions of the published standards is required for continued accreditation of the certification program by IFSAC. The amendment adopted herein updates the standards for certification in various areas to current editions of the relevant national standards.

This amendment was proposed in the Notice of Intended Action published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on July 2, 2008, as **ARC 6894B**. A public hearing on the proposed amendment was held on August 12, 2008. No comments were received at the hearing or otherwise. This amendment is identical to that published under Notice of Intended Action.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 100B.6.

This amendment will become effective January 1, 2009.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of this amendment [251.202] is being omitted. This amendment is identical to that published under Notice as **ARC 6894B**, IAB 7/2/08.

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